

**COMMUNICATION DEVICE WITH DUAL-MODE MUTING AND
METHOD THEREFOR**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A communication device (200) for dual mode muting operation includes a user interface (208) and a controller (202). The controller (202) is programmed to: in response to a first user input to the user interface (208), enable a first muting mode; and in response to a second user input to the user interface (208), disable the first 10 muting mode and enable a second muting mode. The first muting mode may be one of a full muting and a concealed muting, while the second muting mode may be the other one of a full muting and a concealed muting.